

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): A thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition of a thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder and a fine powder of silicon oxide, wherein said thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition is prepared by ~~mixing~~ adhering said fine powder of silicon oxide having an average particle size of 1/100 or less of an average particle size of a powder of fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating composition~~ to thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder.

2. (currently amended): The thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition of Claim 1, ~~which is prepared by mixing~~ wherein 0.01 to 5 parts by weight of said fine powder of silicon oxide based on 100 parts by weight of the powder of fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition is adhered.

3. (currently amended): The thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition of Claim 1, wherein an average particle size of said fine powder of silicon oxide is 1/1,000 or less of an average particle size of the powder of fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating composition~~.

4. (currently amended): The thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition of Claim 1, wherein the ~~powder of~~ fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating~~

~~composition~~ is a powder obtained by pulverizing a melt-kneaded product of a fluorine-containing resin and a curing agent.

5. (currently amended): A process of preparing a thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition by melt-kneading a fluorine-containing resin and a curing agent and pulverizing, in which ~~when pulverizing or~~ after pulverizing, a fine powder of silicon oxide having an average particle size of 1/100 or less of an average particle size of ~~a~~ the pulverized powder of fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating composition~~ is mixed.

6. (currently amended): The preparation process of Claim 5, wherein 0.01 to 5 parts by weight of said fine powder of silicon oxide is mixed based on 100 parts by weight of the powder of fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating composition~~.

7. (currently amended): The preparation process of Claim 5, wherein an average particle size of said fine particles of silicon oxide is 1/1,000 or less of an average particle size of the powder of fluorine-containing resin powder ~~coating composition~~.

8. (previously presented): A coated article obtained by applying the thermosetting fluorine-containing resin powder coating composition of Claim 1 on a metallic substrate.